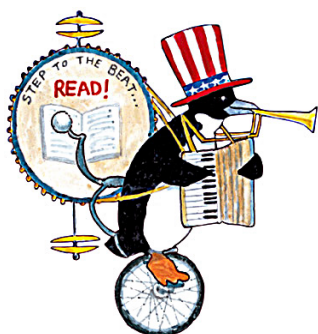




Culpeper County Library

Summer Programs at the Culpeper County Library for Children and Teens



STEP TO THE BEAT – READ!

is the theme for the children's Summer Reading Program at the Culpeper County Library this year.

Visiting the library for recreational reading can keep children from losing ground over the summer. Most students score lower on standardized tests at the end of summer vacation than they did on the same test at the beginning of summer, but those involved in summer reading can keep up their skills over the summer (Cooper et al, 1996).

Summer reading programs focus on reading as an enjoyable leisure time activity. Children receive prizes and incentives for achieving their reading goals (based on grade). When reading is fun, children want to do more reading, and the more they read, the better they get. Children who are not yet reading can also sign up for Step to the Beat Read! with their parents as readers.

Overview

The Summer Reading Program begins Monday, June 14 and ends Friday, August 6.

Children can sign up for the program beginning June 14 and throughout the entire summer.



Special Guests June 14 and 15—Storybook characters Franklin and Miss Spider!

There will be story times and special presentations each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. for toddlers, pre-schoolers, and grade-schoolers. These are walk-in events; no registration required.

Three special performances during the summer:

Thursday, June 17 at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Kickoff performance. **Kim and Jimbo Cary's Rhythms "Round the World"** library program is a fun introduction to instruments and music from Ireland, France, the Middle East, and West Africa. Children are involved through singing, clapping hands, playing percussion instruments and dancing. The Carys create a colorful display of instruments, books and native cloth. Children are encouraged to read by singing along with "The Library Song" by Jimbo Cary, and relevant books are incorporated into each performance.

Thursday, July 15 at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Los Quetzales, a Mexican Dance Ensemble, is Northern Virginia's premier Mexican folkloric performing company.



Thursday, July 29 at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Reptiles Alive! A wildly exciting and educational show that introduces awesome reptiles from all over the world. Featuring a giant python, alligator, African tortoise, Nile monitor lizard and other amazing reptiles!



Culpeper County Library (*continued*)

TEENS READ

Summer Program at the Culpeper County Library

How it Works: Teens (6th grade completed) read books of their choosing, and drop off their brief review along with their name and telephone number in order to have a chance to win prizes during weekly drawings.



For more information about these programs, go to our web site at <http://tlc.library.net/culpeper>, check the newspapers each week, or call the library at 825-8691.

TEENS READ MEETING:

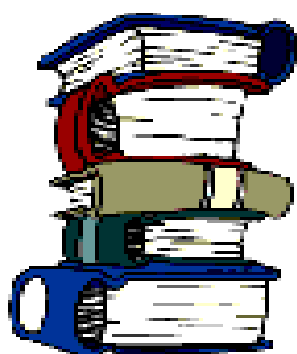
Teens get together and talk about books; recommend additions to the library; design the bulletin board & much more! The last TEENS READ MEETING of the school year will be May 22 at 3:00 p.m. Pizza will be served.

Library's Gone to the Dogs!

A program especially for children who would benefit from the opportunity to read to an audience that provides total, unconditional acceptance—i.e. a dog! Beginning this spring the Welcome Waggers bring their therapy dogs to the Library May 22nd at 10:30 a.m. For more information & to register, contact Youth Services Librarian Susanna Spencer at 825-8691; email sspencer@cclva.org.



Don't forget Dial-a-Story at 825-0555. It's free.
The stories change each week, so be sure to call often.



Friends

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKSTORE HOURS:

Monday: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Thursday: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

You will find books and related materials for all ages and interests. Our prices are truly a bargain. Also, look over our offerings on the bookstore shelf, located to the right, as you enter the Library. Donations of new or used books are accepted during all regular library hours. If you would like to volunteer, please call Jean Harris at 829-4950.

While you're in the book store, take a close look at the Friends canvas book bags - so convenient and only \$6.00. We recommend them for carrying home all the great used books you'll be buying. Most of the books are \$.50 for hardbacks and \$.25 for paperbacks.



Culpeper County Library (*continued*)

Antique and Collectible Books Available at the Friends Used Book Store

Frequently, the Friends Used Book Store will receive donations of very old or rare books. With that in mind, in early March the Friends of the Library sponsored an evening with Jim Presgraves, noted book appraiser. Not only did we gain a great deal of information from his lecture, but he helped with our skills in identifying books of special value.

At this time, we have a number of books which should be of interest to those who enjoy antique and collectible books. Some are single works and some are in sets.

We research each book to determine the current value, and then set a very reasonable price on the book. Our goal is to find good homes for these special editions. We encourage the public to visit the book store to see what we have available.



Support the Summer Reading Program and other library activities by sponsoring a leaf on the Giving Tree located in the Meeting Room at the Library. Your tax deductible gift includes a four line inscription of your choice. Applications may be picked up at the Circulation Desk.

THE CULPEPER COUNTY LIBRARY'S THIRD THURSDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

meet at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room each month. A list of selected books for discussion is printed below. These books are available at the Circulation Desk or may be purchased from The Corner Shelf at a discount.

May's selection is *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel

June's selection is *The Reader* by Bernhard Schlink

July 15's selection is *The Virgin Blue* by Tracy Chevalier (Note: This meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. only and includes a potluck dinner and selection of next year's books for discussion).

We welcome all new members – Come join us!



HeritageQuest Online:

The Library has available a "unique, growing collection of research materials for tracing family history and American culture." Amateur or professional genealogists may now use this "powerful online library, with original page images for all documents," either at home or at the Library.

Simply go to our homepage and link up!

Culpeper County Library

271 Southgate Shopping Center

<http://tlc.library.net/culpeper>

540-825-8691

REGIONAL ADULT EDUCATION
PLANNING DISTRICT #9
CULPEPER, MADISON, ORANGE & RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTIES

Many adults who did not complete a high school program of instruction have continued to learn through a variety of experiences encountered in everyday life. The purpose of the GED Testing Program is to provide an opportunity for these individuals to have the learning acquired from such educational experiences evaluated and recognized. The GED Tests make it possible for qualified individuals to earn a high school credential, thus providing opportunities for hundreds of thousands of adults to:

- Pursue higher education
- Obtain jobs or job promotions
- Achieve personal goals

WHAT ARE THE GED TESTS?

The Tests of General Educational Development (GED Tests) are internationally recognized. They have been designed to measure major academic skills and knowledge in core content areas learned during four years of high school. When an adult passes the 7 ½- hour battery of GED Tests, the resulting GED credential certifies that he or she has attained subject matter knowledge and skills associated with high school completion. The GED Tests include the following subject area tests:

- Language Arts, Writing
- Social Studies
- Science
- Language Arts, Reading
- Mathematics

The GED Tests are offered in English and Spanish editions.



Start Your
Education and
Start Your Engines
for a
Better Job!

G. W. Carver - Piedmont Education Center
GED Testing Schedule for 2004
Denise S. Vogt, Chief Examiner

June 4 & 5, 2004
(June 21, 2004: Make Ups: 7:00-10:00 p.m.)
July 24 (Saturday)
August 20 & 21, 2004
(August 23, 2004: Make Ups: 7:00-10:00 p.m.)
September 10 & 11, 2004
October 1 & 2, 2004
(October 18, 2004: Make Ups: 7:00-10:00 p.m.)
November 12 & 13, 2004
December 3 & 4, 2004

All test takers must be assessed prior to signing up for the GED test.

Is there a particular class you would like to have offered locally? Please give us a call with your suggestion. To offer a class, it is essential to have a group of 5 or more individuals interested in the same subject. Let us hear your ideas. When we have a firm commitment of 5 people, we will contract a teacher to teach the class. Space is available for day or evening classes.
Please contact Margaret A. Buraker, Regional Director at (540) 825-0476

REGIONAL ADULT EDUCATION *(continued)*

Regional Adult Education
(540) 825-0476

Register for Adult Classes in your area for **GED** Preparation, or work on your reading, writing and math skills.
Call for information.

Carver Center GED - 9 a.m.-noon/Wed. & Fri.

G.W. Carver-Piedmont Education Center, 9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan, VA

Culpeper GED-5:30-8:00 p.m./ Tues. & Thurs.

Culpeper Literacy Council, 501 N. Main Street, Culpeper, VA

Culpeper Literacy Council GED -9:00 a.m.-noon/Mon. & Wed.

501 N. Main Street, Culpeper, VA

Culpeper/Rappahannock ESOL-English As A Second Language

6:30-9:00 p.m. /Tues. & Thurs.

Culpeper Career Resource Center, 219 E. Davis Street, Culpeper, VA
& Culpeper Depot, 113 S. Commerce St., Culpeper, VA

GED Fast Track-5:30-8:30 p.m./ Mon. & Thurs.

G.W. Carver-Piedmont Education Center, 9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan, VA

Regional TFL-5:30-8:00 p.m./ Mon. & Thurs.

G.W. Carver-Piedmont Education Center, 9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan, VA

Madison GED-6:00-8:30 p.m./ Tues. & Thurs.

Madison Literacy Council, Thrift Rd. Old School Board Bldg., Madison, VA

Gordonsville GED-6:30-9:00 p.m./ Mon. & Wed.

Gordon-Barbour Elem. Library, 500 W. Baker St., Gordonsville, VA

Orange GED-6:30-9:00 p.m./ Tues. & Thurs.

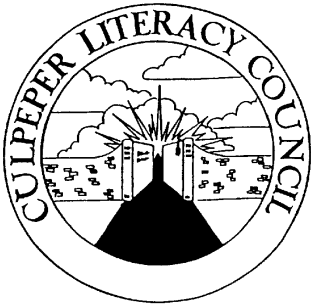
Orange County High School, Room #136, 201 Selma Rd., Orange, VA

Orange/Madison ESOL-English As A Second Language/ 7:00-9:00 p.m./Mon.

Orange Presbyterian Church, 162 W. Main St., Orange, VA

Rappahannock GED-7:00-9:00 p.m./ Mon. & Thurs.

Rappahannock County Library, 4 Library Rd., Washington, VA

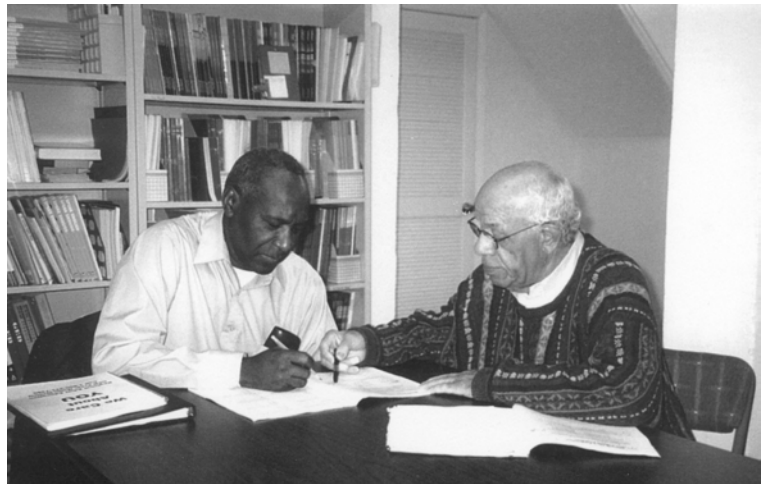


CULPEPER LITERACY COUNCIL

Currently over 40 adults are studying at the Culpeper Literacy Council to improve their basic skills or to enhance their lives. They are either working with a volunteer tutor or attending our GED class.



GED students (left to right) Juan Vargas, Linda Clark, and far right, Charlene Pressley. Educational Coordinator, Sandra Kidwell, third from left.



On the left, student Andrew Johnson with tutor, Calvin Lightfoot

What they might not realize is that they are also being role models to the children in their families. The children of adult learners tend to improve their own academic performance.

The Literacy Council is currently seeking volunteers to work with our students. If you can read, you can teach someone else to read. Tutors work with adult students who wish to learn to read, improve their literacy skills, or learn English as a second language. We also have tutors working in the Culpeper jail with those wishing to obtain their GED.

By volunteering your time you impact the life of your student, those of his family, and our community. Free 6-hour TUTOR TRAINING workshops are provided. No teaching experience is necessary.

Call the Culpeper Literacy Council at 825-5804 for additional information or to sign up! We are a Piedmont United Way program.

Lifelong learning is a plus for the whole family.

For additional information, please contact Kim Jebson, Director at 825-5804.

News from Department of Social Services

Head Start in Culpeper

Head Start, a successful, federally-funded program serving at risk families, is proud to now be a division of Culpeper Department of Social Services.

Last summer DSS submitted a grant proposal and was awarded the program. Now known as Culpeper Human Services Head Start, the program actually began serving Culpeper County families ten years ago as a three classroom facility with 36 children. Under the guidance of Pam Jenkins, Program Director, CHS Head Start has moved into the Galbreath-Marshall Building and now operates eight classrooms serving a total of 128 preschool children and families. The program, which also serves children with disabilities, provides individualized education and social benefits to children, as well as health screenings, such as vision, dental, and hearing.

Along with the Educational Staff, there is a Family Services Staff which links families with services and opportunities to be self sufficient and successful. Parent, family, and community volunteers are welcome, and CHS Head Start appreciates professional volunteers to help provide the mandated screenings for the children. Child care is provided for qualifying Head Start families.



Mrs. Carol Hudson's class enjoys breakfast at
CHS Head Start

Department of Social Services 727-0372

Culpeper County Public Schools

“Competing – And Winning -- Against the Best”

By Larry Parker, Public Information Officer

“Our vision is to become the highest-performing school division in the Virginia School Board Association’s Central Region.” – *from the CCPS World Wide Website*

Children in Culpeper County’s elementary and secondary schools work every day to live up to our vision for them – scoring well in academic, athletic, and other extracurricular contests against other students from the Central Region, defined as the 10 counties roughly surrounding Charlottesville.

But for a few of our students, mere geographical boundaries can’t hold them in. Their talents and their hard work have earned them an elite title shared by students from as far away as Arlington, Bristol, and Chesapeake:

All-State.

Just in the four weeks from late February to late March, more than a dozen students from third to twelfth grades were so honored for feats of strength, endurance, melody, and plain old ingenuity.

Take the Culpeper County High School boys’ and girls’ swim teams, perennial champions in their region and beyond.

Coach Jeff Faust’s Blue Devils and Devilettes placed five swimmers into the Virginia High School League Class AAA All-State Meet February 14 – and one of them, junior Russell Smyth, took home the state championship in his specialty, the 100-meter breaststroke. He was also the state runner-up (“silver medalist”) in the 200-meter individual medley.

Senior Ian DeToll was state runner-up in the 100-meter butterfly, and senior Brian Freitag was third (“bronze medalist”) in the state in the 200-meter individual medley (just behind his teammate Smyth).

And senior Jenna Brick qualified for the All-State finals in the 100-meter backstroke and 200-meter individual medley – but passed to compete in the invitation-only Spring National Championships

in Orlando, Florida the same day, the only Culpeper swimmer so honored.

Smyth, DeToll, Brick, and sophomore Katherine McDonnell were already champions in their specialties in VHSL’s Northwestern Region. And Smyth, DeToll, Freitag and Brick are under consideration as national High School All-Americans.

Adding to these outstanding feats in the pool was the record of senior Ray Ellis on the wrestling mat. The grappler was undefeated in district competition this year, qualifying for the VHSL’s Class AAA All-State wrestling meet. There, he lost to the eventual state champion in his weight class, 125 pounds. Ellis, who captained this year’s team, won 94 matches for Culpeper County High and was a letter winner all four years.

But athletics are hardly the only field in which Culpeper students excel.

Three high school students – seniors Julia Klumpp and Megan Sturgeon, and junior Emelie Thompson – were named members of the Virginia All-State Choir. Furthermore, it was the second time for both Klumpp and Sturgeon to be named All-State. Klumpp, a classically trained soprano who has sung Italian operas and acted in many CCHS productions, also competed in this year’s Virginia Junior Miss pageant.

The beautiful voices of these students have developed not just from hard work, but also from intelligence. Sturgeon is vice president of the high school’s student government, the SCA.

Klumpp is a member of the National Honor Society. And, showing that brains and brawn can go hand-in-hand in Culpeper County, so is Ellis – a “scholar-athlete” in the truest sense of the word.

What is remarkable about Culpeper County students, though, is not just their records as scholars as well as athletes and performers, but the fact

that some of them have attained such honors before high school – indeed, before middle school.

On March 13, six third, fourth and fifth graders from Pearl Sample Elementary School competed in the “Destination ImagiNation” Northwestern Region tournament, held right here in Culpeper, with other students from Culpeper County and some 120-odd student teams overall.

Destination ImagiNation, or DI for short, is a nationwide academic competition that uses drama as a kick-off point to encourage students to develop their problem-solving and improvisational skills and self-confidence. DI gives student teams scenarios at the beginning of each school year. Students are judged by teachers on the skits they create and perform together (including props, sets and sound effects) as well as individually on improvisations – a bit like an acting “pop quiz” requested by judges.

Pearl Sample’s team – third grader Rowan Kinney, fourth grader Hannah Adams, and fifth graders Nick Gloudeman, Emily Dods, Emily Elliott and Sydney Dodson – won in the “Plot and the Pendulum” category. Their task was to do two skits in one, in essence, by developing a story with a turning point that could go one of two ways – and then acting out both outcomes.

Their skit won first place, and earned them a trip to the All-State DI finals on April 24.

All of these students have been formally honored by the County School Board, and deservedly so. Several are going on after June graduation to some of America’s leading colleges and universities.

But with the outstanding teachers and coaches here in Culpeper County – without whom none of these students could have won such awards -- surely some of their current classmates will also make All-State in their own chosen activities in future years.



“You Are Not Forgotten” by Larry Parker, Public Information Officer

Cliff Lewin had a vision.

The Culpeper resident and member of Rolling Thunder – the Vietnam veterans’ organization that organizes a huge motorcycle parade to the Vietnam Veterans’ Memorial in

Washington each Memorial Day weekend – noted that 19 Culpeper-area residents were prisoners of war or are still missing in action (POW/MIA). He thought there was an opportunity to teach Culpeper County students a living lesson about patriotism and sacrifice.

After Lewin met with Dr. David Cox, division superintendent, a decision was made that Culpeper County would become the first school division in Virginia – and possibly the nation – to fly the dis-

tinctive black POW/MIA flag alongside the American flag at all schools.

Furthermore, a committee was formed to stage a commemoration fitting the sacrifices Culpeper’s – and America’s – servicemen and servicewomen have made.

That commemoration took place in late April, in a solemn ceremony that left hardly a dry eye among the crowd of hundreds of veterans gathered in front of Floyd T. Binns Middle School.

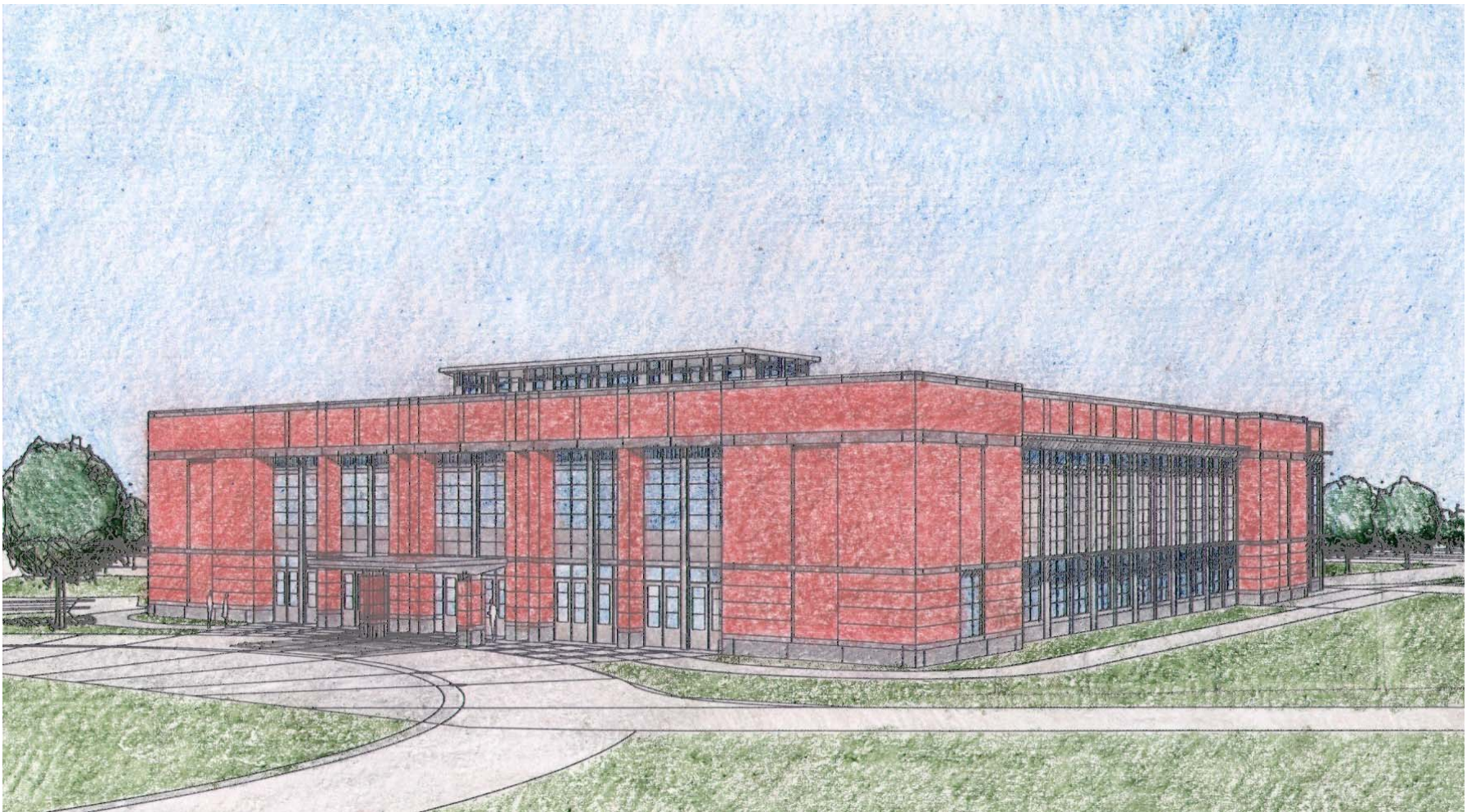
After a Rolling Thunder motorcycle parade just like those seen on Memorial Day, state and local political leaders joined Dale Hall of Rolling Thunder, the master of ceremonies, in presenting 11 flags—one for each of Culpeper County’s 8 schools, the school division Central Office, the County Administration Building, and Culpeper Town Hall – donated by a number of local veterans’ groups.

The ceremony also featured a parachutist symbolically carrying a POW/MIA flag from sky to earth. And four Navy Aircraft were scheduled to fly over to thrill the crowd.

Connecting the day’s events to today’s students, a drill was performed by Lt. Col. Bradford Coppock’s Marine Corps Junior ROTC students from Culpeper County High School, while the band from Floyd T. Binns Middle School played a series of solemn patriotic selections. And student winners of an essay contest on patriotism received two \$500 scholarships from an anonymous donor.

So as the black flags fly today from Culpeper County schools, their inscribed message – “You are not forgotten” – reminds young and old alike of the brave sacrifices made by Americans in battle, from the Culpeper Minutemen of the Revolutionary War, to local soldiers still in Iraq.

Germanna Technology Center to Break Ground June 2 in Culpeper



Governor Mark Warner will be the keynote speaker at the groundbreaking for the Germanna Technology Center in Culpeper on Wednesday, June 2, 2004, at 3:30 p.m. The ceremony will occur at the Technology Center site, near the intersection of State Highway 3 and McDevitt Drive. The public is invited to attend. Please call Judy Napier at 540-727-3006, if you plan to attend.

The facility will provide educational and training services to communities surrounding the U.S. Route 29 “technology corridor.” The Workforce Development and Technology Training Center will be a two-story, 40,000 square-foot facility designed to provide maximum flexibility in serving educational, training, business, and community needs.

The Center will include:

- Classrooms – state-of-the-art facilities to support programs ranging from basic skills education to high technology and post-employment training needs.
- Manufacturing technology area – the hub for customized training in operations and maintenance skills required by regional industries.
- Multi-purpose auditorium – a flexible, multi-media performance area that can be reconfigured for conferences, trade shows, banquets, and other events.
- Information Resource Center – a virtual library with multi-media resources.
- Executive Training / Conference Room – a center equipped with state-of-the-art technology resources to support professional and continuing education seminars, or business and community meetings.

Businesses or individuals interested in naming and sponsorship opportunities for the Germanna Technology Center may contact the Office of Institutional Advancement at 540-727-3088.